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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES MCNEIL (Sponsor), BERRY, ELLINGER, ENGLISH,
MEREDITH, ENGLUND, KIRKTON, PACE, KELLY (45), KORMAN AND REDMON (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to high performance energy efficient schools, with a penalty provision.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 160, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 160.1000, to read as follows:

**160.1000. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the “High
2 Performance Energy Efficient Schools Transparency Act”.**

**3 2. Beginning January 1, 2014, each school district shall earn and annually maintain,
4 for each of the district’s school and administration buildings, the Energy Star under the
5 Energy Star program co-sponsored by the United States Department of Energy and the
6 United States Environmental Protection Agency.**

**7 3. In order to complete the requirements of subsection 2 of this section, each district
8 shall use the free online portfolio manager provided by Energy Star to generate an
9 efficiency rating. Each district shall report the results of the rating generation to the
10 department no later than six months after completion of the rating for each building in the
11 district, maintain a database of the district’s annual results, and publish the annual results
12 for each school building on the department’s website on an ongoing basis.**

**13 4. A school district may request a waiver from the department if paying an
14 employee or independent contractor to generate the efficiency rating would result in a
15 financial hardship to the district. In lieu of using the portfolio manager to generate an
16 efficiency rating, the district may substitute the rating generation with the results of a**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 **professional energy audit. A school district will be considered to be in compliance with the**
18 **provisions of this section for a period of not more than five years from the date of the**
19 **completion of the professional audit. The department shall have discretion to accept or**
20 **reject a professional energy audit as a substitute for the ratings produced in accordance**
21 **with subsection 2 of this section.**

22 **5. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be subject to a penalty under**
23 **section 162.091.**

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